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SUBJ: CHARGES OF U. S. COMPLICITY - ARAB RADIO AND PRESS

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1. FOLLOWING ARE ADDITIONAL EXCERPTS REFLECTING MOST RECENT ARAB RADIO BROADCASTS AND PRESS ARTICLES CHARGING U. S. COMPLICITY IN APRIL 9 ISRAELI RAID.

A. DAMASCUS MENA ARABIC - 13 APRIL 0937 GMT - AND ALGIERS DOMESTIC ARABIC - 13 APRIL 1300 GMT - CARRY QUOTATION FROM PLO LEADER YASAR ARAFAT ALLEGING THAT FORMER U. S. AMBASSADOR IN BEIRUT ARMIN MEYER SUPERVISED IDF RAID. BOTH BROADCASTS ALSO ALLEGE WEAPONS USED BY ISRAELI COMMANDOS IN RAID WERE OF TYPE RECENTLY SENT TO ISRAEL BY UNITED STATES.

B. ALGIERS - VOICE OF PALESTINE - ARABIC - 12 APRIL 1843 GMT - DECLARES THAT " PLOT" AGAINST FEDAYEEN LEADERS " WAS HATCHED THROUGH COOPERATION BETWEEN THE ISRAELI AND AMERICAN INTELLIGENCE SERVICES AND COUNTER- REVOLUTIONARY FORCES IN LEBANON AND WAS CARRIED OUT THROUGH PRIOR AGREEMENT WITH LEBANESE FORCES."

C. VOICE OF PALESTINE - CLANDESTINE (SYRIA) - ARABIC - 13 APRIL 1300 GMT - CARRIES UNATTRIBUTED COMMENTARY WHICH CHARGES THAT " AMERICANS AND THEIR AGENTS ARE THE ONES WHO PERPETRATED THE CRIME OF ASSASSINATING THE THREE LEADERS."

D. CAIRO DOMESTIC ARABIC - 12 APRIL 2100 GMT - REPORTS THAT IN MEETING HELD EVENING APRIL 12, CONFEDERATION NATIONAL ASSEMBLY DECLARED THAT " FOOLISH ACTS" IN LEBANON " SUPPORTED BY THE AMERICAN IMPERIALISTS" WILL " NOT DETRACT FROM ARAB PEOPLES RESOLVE."

E. BEIRUT RADIO - CONTINUES REFRAIN FROM DIRECTLY ACCUSING U. S. OF INVOLVEMENT IN RAIDS, AS HEARD IN MONITORED BROADCASTS. ITS ONLY REFERENCE AGAIN COMES IN REPORT ON SITUATION AT UN, NOTING THAT U. S. DELEGATE AND SECRETARY BOTH DENIED ANY U. S. INVOLVEMENT.

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F. RADIO DAMASCUS -

GENERALLY AVOIDS MAKING ORIGINAL ACCUSATIONS OF U. S. COMPLICITY, BUT ONE COMMENTARY (LEAD ITEM OF 1630 GMT BULLETIN ON 12 APRIL) OBSERVES THAT U. S., BRITISH AND WEST GERMAN SPY ORGANIZATIONS GAVE FUNDS AND KNOW- HOW IN SUPPORT OF BEIRUT OPERATION.

G. CAIRO DOMESTIC SERVICE - FOLLOWING A BRIEF COMMENTARY AT 0500 GMT ON APRIL 11 - WHICH STATES THAT " IN THIS ATTACK THE ENEMY RELIED ON ELEMENTS OF U. S. INTELLIGENCE IN BEIRUT," HAS NOT BEEN HEARD TO CHARGE THE UNITED STATES SPECIFICALLY WITH COMPLICITY IN THE BEIRUT OPERATION ITSELF. INSTEAD, CAIRO COMMENT BELABORS USG MORE GENERALLY FOR ITS SUPPORT FOR ISRAEL IN FORM OF MILITARY AID. CAIRO RADIO IS NOW REPORTING SECRETARY ROGERS' DENIAL OF U. S. COMPLICITY. HOWEVER USINT CAIRO MONITORING LATER APRIL 12 AND 13 BROADCASTS REPORTS INCREASINGLY VIOLENT ANTI- U. S. STATEMENTS BY THE EGYPTIAN RADIO, DETAILS OF WHICH CONTAINED CAIRO 1113.

H. CAIRO - VOICE OF PALESTINE - ARABIC - 13 APRIL 1730 GMT - THE PALESTINIAN NEWS AGENCY Wafa STATED THAT THE ISRAELI SOLDIERS LEFT BEIRUT AIRPORT ABOARD A SPECIAL U. S. AIR FORCE HERCULES PLANE. Wafa SAID THE U. S. PLANE ARRIVED AT BEIRUT AIRPORT AT 1500 APRIL 10. FIFTEEN PEOPLE GOT OFF BUT THE PLANE THEN TOOK OFF AT 1740 WITH 45 PASSENGERS, THUS ACCORDING TO Wafa CONFIRMING THE PARTICIPATION OF THE U. S. EMBASSY IN BEIRUT IN PROTECTING THE ENEMY SOLDIERS.

I. BAGHDAD - VOICE OF PALESTINE - 12 APRIL 1630 GMT - " U. S. IMPERIALISM WITH ITS EMBASSIES AND POSITIONS IN THE AREA AND ALSO REACTION WITH ITS EMBASSIES AND DENS ARE ENGAGED IN HATCHING PLOTS AGAINST US AND AGAINST THE PEOPLES OF OUR NATION. THEREFORE, WE MUST KEEP AN EYE ON THESE DENS AND SEEK IN EVERY FORM TO ESCALATE THE POPULAR STRUGGLE AGAINST THE IMPERIALIST PRESENCE AND AGAINST THE IMPERIALIST BRIDGES EXTENDING TO SOME ARAB CAPITALS." ROGERS

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